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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
John F. BOYLAN et al.	) Group Art Unit: 3731
Application No.: 10/764,841	) ) Examiner: Ryan J. Severson
Filed: January 26, 2004	) )
For: NITINOL ALLOY DESIGN FOR SHEATH DEPOLYABLE AND RE-SHEATHABLE VASCULAR DEVICES	) Confirmation No.: 9783 ) )

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## REPLY AND SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

In response to the final Office Action mailed May 15, 2007 ("Office Action"), the shortened statutory period ending August 15, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following remarks. The Submission is filed together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fulfills the requirements of a "submission" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

**Attachments** to this amendment include:

Boylan, John F., "The Development of Radiopaque Nitinol," Guidant Corporation, Endovascular Solutions, Temecula, CA, pp. 1-6.